



The Coy Chronicle

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"Of all the months of the year there is not a month one half so welcome to the young, or so full of happy associations, as the last month of the year." — Charles Dickens

Upcoming Events



Holiday Open House

Tuesday, December 5

10:00 am - 3:00 pm

5:30 - 7:00 pm

Join us for our annual Holiday Open House!

We will have a Holiday Storytime and craft on the hour throughout the day from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm, and then Santa, craft, and snacks from 5:30-7:00 pm!

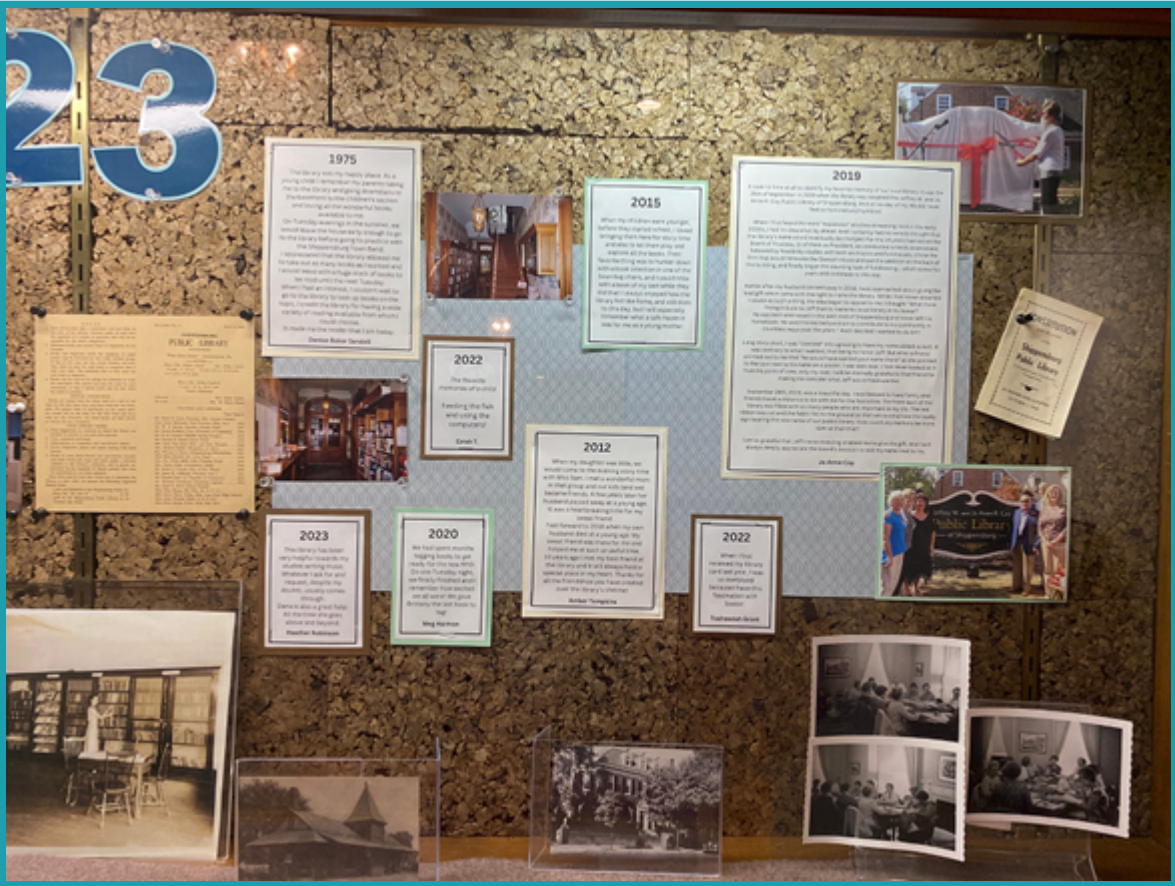
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A Nutcracker Christmas

**Monday, December 11
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm**

We will once again be hosting A Nutcracker Christmas on December 11th from 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm. Join us for a live performance from Heather Rose Dance Studio with a Meet and Greet, as well as a fun nutcracker craft!



Share Your Favorite Library Memories

In celebration of the 90th year that the Coy Public Library has been in service, we asked the community to share their favorite memories of the library. These stories have since been compiled and placed in our display case! Be sure to stop and take a look the next time you visit us.

Submissions can still be made via this [google form](#), or sent by email to bdurff@cumberlandcountylibraries.org. If sending by email, please include your name and the year your story takes place. We would also love to receive any pictures that go along with the memory! We will stop taking submissions on December 12.

90 Books for 90 Years

One of the ways we are celebrating 90 years of service is to offer this challenge to the Shippensburg Community:
Read 90 books during 2023, 1 for every year that the library has been open.
Everyone who finishes will earn an entry into a grand prize raffle celebrating Shippensburg.
Read any combination of print, audio, or e-books to participate.

[Sign up for the challenge on Beanstack](#)
or
[Print out a paper tracker and record your books!](#)
Paper trackers must be turned in to the library when completed for them to be counted for the raffle entry.

All books read in 2023 can be counted toward the 90 books, even if you read them before signing up for the challenge!



December 31st is the last day of our challenge! Be sure to log your books read on Beanstack!



Yoga at the Library

We are excited to offer a twice-weekly yoga class for adults of all ages and experience levels.

The classes are held on Thursdays at 4:30 pm and Fridays at 10:00 am and are led by Cindy Pimental.

Don't forget to bring a yoga mat!

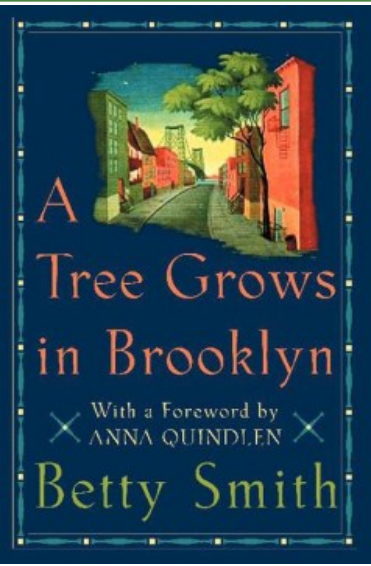
[Register here!](#)



Please Note: Yoga will not be meeting on Thursday, December 7 or Friday, December 8.



December Monthly Book Discussion



Please join us for an in-person discussion at the library about Lisa Wingate's book, "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn" on **Thursday, December 14th, from 5:00pm - 6:30pm.**

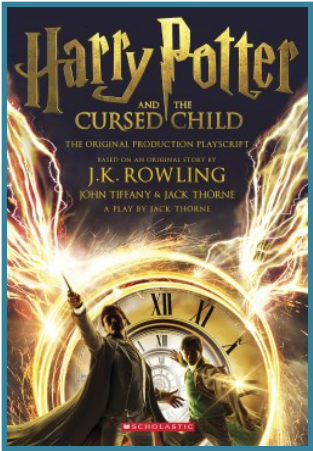
From the moment she entered the world, Francie needed to be made of stern stuff, for the often harsh life of Williamsburg demanded fortitude, precocity, and strength of spirit. Often scorned by neighbors for her family's erratic and eccentric behavior-such as her father Johnny's taste for alcohol and Aunt Sissy's habit of marrying serially without the formality of divorce-no one, least of all Francie, could say that the Nolans' life lacked drama. By turns overwhelming, sublime, heartbreaking, and uplifting, the Nolans' daily experiences are tenderly threaded with family connectedness and raw with honesty. Betty Smith has, in the pages of *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn*, captured the joys of humble Williamsburg life-from "junk day" on Saturdays, when the children of Francie's neighborhood traded their weekly take for pennies, to the special excitement of holidays, bringing cause for celebration and revelry.



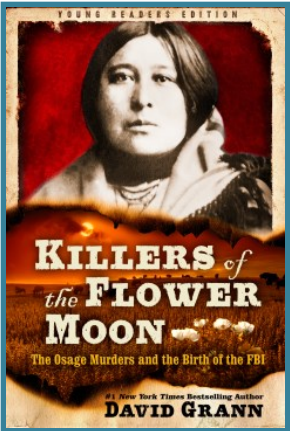
Upcoming Titles for Book Club



January 11



February 8



Chess Club

Wednesday Evenings
5:30 pm-7:50 pm
Held in the Annex (Book Nook building)



Do you enjoy playing chess? Come join the Chess Club on Wednesdays at 5:30pm! No registration required.



Thursday Night
Knit and Crochet

Thursday Evenings
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Are you a knitter or crocheter who would like to meet other knitters and crocheters?
Or, if you are or want to learn how to knit or crochet, come join Dottie Kurtz here at the library on Thursday evenings from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.



Tuesday Afternoon Knit and Crochet

Tuesday Afternoons
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Are you a knitter or crocheter or interested in fiber crafts that would like to meet with others with the same interest?
Come Join Dottie at the library Tuesdays afternoons from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm.



Shippenstitchers

December 4th
December 18th
11:30 am - 6:00 pm
Held in the Community Room

Please join the Shippenstitchers on December 4th and December 18th for open sew!
Knitters, crocheters, and quilters of all kinds are welcome to join the fun from 11:30 am - 6:00 pm. Bring your supplies and projects and stay for a little while or for the whole day!



South Cumberland Fiber Guild

3rd Saturday of Each Month
10:00 am - 1:00 pm

The Guild is open to spinners, weavers, knitters, crocheters, felters, rug hookers, shepherds, plant fiber growers and others interested in the art and craft of fiber and textiles.

They meet monthly for workshops, field trips, demonstrations for the public, or to gather just to spin, knit, crochet or work on a "project-in-progress". This month they will meet December 16th.



For more information please contact Caroline Winslow at 717-423-6258.

Announcements



Model Train Village



On Display Now!

Come to the library any time this month and see a model train village, courtesy of Raymond Mowery.

Mr. Mowery has created a fantastic display in our Board Room, complete with music, a Christmas tree, and of course... model trains!

There is also a scavenger hunt this year, so pay extra special attention as you admire the display!





Holiday Closings

In observance of Christmas, the Coy Public Library will be closed from Friday, December 22nd through Monday, December 25. We will reopen at our normal time on Tuesday, December 26th.

Additionally, the library will be closed on Monday, January 1st, in observance of New Year's Day.

We hope you have a safe and happy holiday season.

Kids' Korner



2023 Fall Youth Programs

Our program season is winding down, but there are still plenty of things to do in December!

Weekly programs will take a break starting the week of December 10th and resume on January 15.

Our monthly programs continue through the end of December. Check our [digital flyer](#) for more information, or read about some of the upcoming programs below. You can still sign up by using this google form [here](#) or by calling 717-532-4508!



Chapter Book Club

Ages 7-12
Wed 6:00-7:00 pm

Join us for this weekly program, which will have participants reading chapters between meetings and coming together to talk about the chapters, ask questions, and participate in activities related to what they are reading.



American Girl: Read to Pets

Ages 6-11
1st Thurs 5:00-5:30 pm
Dec 7

Join us for this fun program featuring time to read the American Girl books with and to stuffed animals from the books!



Read to Dogs

Ages 6-12
3rd Tues
6:30-7:00 pm (A)
7:00-7:30 pm (B)
Dec 19

Grab some books and have fun taking turns reading to our adorable, furry friends. This program is made possible by Kindly Canines! Please arrive early to pick out books

Teens



Teen Scene

Thursdays
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Hang out and enjoy activities such as games, movies, holiday parties, and more!

Ages 12-18 welcomed.

Please note that Teen Scene will be taking a break after December 7, until the week of January 15.

STEAM Saturdays

Ages 10-17
Saturday, December 30
10:30 am - 1:00 pm



Come join us for this exciting S.T.E.A.M. program, sponsored by VGCUSA! This is a monthly program for youth ages 10 - 17 that is designed to explore and learn about different things related to science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics.

In December, our project is "3-D Designs of Dungeons and Dragons".

The Book Nook

DECEMBER BOOK NOOK SALE

@ Coy Public Library of Shippensburg

All Christmas Books are

Buy One Get One Free!

Tuesday	5pm - 7pm
First Thursday of the Month	9am - 7pm
All Other Thursdays	10am - 12pm
	5pm - 7pm
Friday	9am - 12pm
Saturday	10 am - 2pm

The majority of items are priced between .10 and \$2.00

We accept credit cards (No Minimum)

Book donations are welcome during the times listed above.

December Special
at the Book Nook
All Soft Christmas Books are
Buy One Get One Free!

Tuesdays: 5pm - 7pm
1st Thursday of the month: 9am - 7pm
Other Thursdays: 10am - 12pm
& 5pm - 7pm
Fridays: 9am - 12pm
Saturdays: 10am - 2pm

Friends of the Coy Library

Friends Coffee Hour
Fridays
9:00-11:00 am

Join the Friends for coffee at the Annex!
Come see what the Friends do
to support the library.
Please park on King Street if attending
Coffee Hour!



Spring Celebration



Book Nook & Amazon Storefront



Fundraising Events



These, along with our Holiday Open House and Summer Learning Program, are only some of the services and activities provided by the Friends.
Show your support for your community library, become a Friend of the Coy Public Library today!

Resources



NextReads Newsletters

Looking to find your next read? Subscribe to NextReads newsletters which will offer you the newest books to read for specified topics (Kids' Books, Mystery Books, History & Current events, Home & Garden, Nature & Science, Audiobooks, etc.).

Skill-Up PA

Skillup™ PA is a completely free initiative designed to help job seekers explore career pathways, view local job postings, register for free online learning, and receive workforce services. The initiative is being led by the Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry and PA Careerlink®.



Library Information



Hours

Mon-Thurs: 9am - 8pm
Friday: 9am - 5pm
Saturday: 9am - 5pm
Sunday: Closed

Mission Statement

The Coy Public Library of Shippensburg exists to provide cultural vitality and lifelong learning through open access to reading, reference, programs, and community space.

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